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- 1) JP 2000-339591
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- 7) JP 11-110700
- 8) JP 2002-245595

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9) JP 10-105895

10) JP 2001-143197

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References 1) to 11) include English language abstracts.

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